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NORTH
No. 36 Kansas City Passenger..... 7:30 a. m.
No. 37 C. & S. Passenger..... 11:30 a. m.
No. 38 R. C. & S. Passenger..... 5:30 p. m.

SOUTH
No. 36 Joplin Passenger..... 1:30 a. m.
No. 37 Joplin Passenger..... 1:30 p. m.
No. 38 Nevada Passenger..... 8:30 p. m.

ST. LOUIS
No. 36 Local Passenger..... 11:30 a. m.
No. 37 Local Passenger..... 4:30 p. m.

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HARD TO ESTIMATE CROWD

Few Civilians Are Able to Give Numbers of a Gathering—Army Officers Tell Secret.

It is remarkable how the average civilian overestimates the number of persons in a big procession. Take, for example, the recent demonstration in London. It was said that there were 15,000 men in line and some enthusiasts put it even at 20,000. But it is easy to estimate such numbers approximately, says London Tit-Bits. Here is the rule as laid down in the "Field Service Regulations" of the United States army:

"The strength of a body of troops may be estimated from the length of time it takes to pass a given point. Assuming that infantry in column of fours occupies half a yard per man, cavalry one yard per trooper and artillery in single column per gun or caisson, a given point would be passed in one minute by about 175 infantry, 110 cavalry at a walk, 200 cavalry at a trot and five guns or caissons."

Allowing for spacing between companies, battalions and regiments, all of which is according to mathematical rule, it takes a regiment of 1,000 men divided into battalions just ten minutes to pass, or at the rate of 6,000 an hour. And this supposes no breaks in the line.

These rules, it must be remembered, are for trained soldiers used to a long step and to keeping up without straggling. No civilians, even militant suffragettes, ever kept or could keep up this pace.

PROLONG LIFE OF FLOWERS

French Florists Are Particularly Clever in Their Methods of Preservation of Freshness.

The instruments used by the French florists to prolong the life of cut flowers and remove imperfections are as numerous and delicate as those on a well-equipped dressing-table. They include scissors of all sizes and shapes, small cutting pliers and pinners of many kinds, brushes, atomizers, sprays and bottles containing various gums. A withered leaf or even one poorly developed ruins the appearance of a rosebud, consequently the one is cut off, and the other, if possible, is reshaped. The buds are also pierced as near the base of the flower as possible, with minute wires which keep the leaves in place. An instrument very similar to a curling iron is used to dress a faulty leaf.

One of the means employed to prolong the life of the flower is to remove the anthers, so as to prevent the spreading of the pollen, for, if fertilization is allowed to take place, the flower has fulfilled its mission and soon fades. In flowers of the lily order the anthers are removed for still another reason. They develop such an abundance of yellow pollen that it falls and taints the leaves, thus marring the spotless white beauty of the flower. The stems of flowers that begin to hang their heads are placed in very hot water for about five minutes and then are placed in a dark and cool place for about an hour.

Where Her Thoughts Were.
Upon the attainment of my seventy-second birthday one of my daughters gave me a complimentary dinner in the evening at her residence, inviting all the members of our family. Her two bright children were allowed to "sit up" in honor of the occasion. The children, evidently coached by their parents, met me on my arrival, the little boy saying gleefully, "Many happy returns of the day, grandpa." The little girl, with a backward glance toward their pretty table, her big blue eyes dancing in happy anticipation of the coming feast, said: "I think we should say many happy returns of the night, grandpa."—Exchange.

Compulsory.
A certain amateur aviator talked recently about a flying trip with a professional, when he fell 1,200 feet into the water without knowing it.

"I wasn't frightened," he said with a smile. "I thought that our swift descent was a piece of fancy flying. I am, in fact, as ignorant of aviation as the little boy was ignorant of history."

That Secret.
Katherine and Margaret found themselves seated next each other at a dinner party and immediately became confidential.
"Molly told me that you told her that secret I told you not to tell her," whispered Margaret.
"Oh, isn't she a mean thing?" gasped Katherine. "Why, I told her not to tell you!"
"Well," returned Margaret, "I told her I wouldn't tell you she told me—so don't tell her I did."

Tree Owns Itself.
There is a tree in Athens, Ga., which owns itself. It has a deed to eight feet of ground on all sides of its trunk.
The tree formerly was owned by W. H. Jackson. To prevent its ever being cut down, Mr. Jackson executed a deed making the tree owner of the ground around it.
This deed is on file in Athens. It is the only one of its sort in the world.

Foster.

(Too late for last week.)

Charley Thompson and family of Oklahoma, have moved to Foster.

P. L. Shelton is reported on the sick list with a gripe.

Mrs. Bloodsaw, formerly an old citizen of Foster, visited with friends a few days last week.

Mrs. Ole Gray of Worland came down Monday to see her mother, Mrs. N. T. Badgett, who is quite poorly at this writing.

Mrs. J. W. Parlier is reported on the sick list.

Richard Orear has moved to his farm west of town which he recently purchased of Charley Garwood.

Charley Garwood moved his family to El Dorado Springs last week at which place they will make their future home.

Miss Nora Mills who has been critically ill in a hospital at Denver, Colorado, the past six weeks of typhoid fever is expected home this week, which her many friends will be glad to know.

A special agent for the Home Insurance Company was here Wednesday clipping "frazzles" off some of the insurance policies. In some cases the insurance was canceled and in others was cut down.

J. F. Cecil and family, Richard Cecil and sister, Mrs. Emma Lee Settemore, of Warrensburg, spent Sunday with D. H. Arbogast and family.

Perry O'Neal Dead.

Perry O'Neal died Tuesday night at his home in Rich Hill of tuberculosis, aged 55 years. Mr. O'Neal will be remembered by the older inhabitants of Foster. He formerly lived here, back in the eighties, being engaged in the coal business, when the Western Coal Mining Company was operating the coal. He leaves a wife and several children.

Mrs. Joseph Douglas Dead.
Mrs. Joseph Douglas died Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. H. Clouse, northwest of town of infirmities due to old age.

Sophia Francis Hunter was born in Montgomery county, Mo., Jan. 2, 1846. She was united in marriage to Joseph Douglas in 1866. To this union was born seven children, two of whom with the husband preceded her to the grave several years.

At the age of 18 years she united with the M. E. church, south, and lived a devoted christian until her death Jan. 6, 1916. Age 70 years, 4 days. Those she leaves to mourn their loss are, Mrs. Belle Logan of Lewis Springs, Arizona; Mrs. Mayne Broadus, Coffeyville, Kans.; Mrs. Flora Williams, Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Charley Clouse of Foster, Mo.; Mr. H. C. Douglas of Springfield, Mo.

Funeral services were held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. H. Clouse, Friday, conducted by Rev. Blalock of Hume and interment made at Woodfin cemetery.

DINAH.

Adrian Banks Elect Officers.

The Annual Meeting of the Adrian Banking Company was held Monday. The following directors and officers were elected:

Directors—M. V. Owen, J. M. Reeder, D. F. Andes, George L. Argenbright and D. B. Reist.
Officers—M. V. Owen, president; D. F. Andes, vice-president; D. B. Reist, cashier; J. M. Reeder, secretary; Geo. L. Argenbright, assistant secretary; Mrs. A. C. Packer, bookkeeper.

The stockholders of the First National Bank met Tuesday for the purpose of electing seven directors for the current year. The following persons were elected: J. C. Smith, Ira Whitmore, D. H. Warford, Samuel Walls, Dr. B. W. Richardson, Dr. S. L. Bates and V. J. Day.—Adrian Journal.

Col. Wilkins was Acquitted.

Bowling Green, Mo., Jan. 14.—Col. Fred Wilkins accused of the murder of Col. Allen M. Walker at Louisiana last March was acquitted by the trial jury last night.

Frank F. Buffum, state Highway Commissioner took the stand and related Walker's statement made the night of the shooting which exonerated Wilkins. After the verdict was returned Wilkins and his wife shook hands with the members of the jury and thanked them for the verdict they returned.

PUT END TO FOOLISHNESS

Lawyer Who Knew Human Nature Settled Squabble Over Line Fence in a Few Minutes.

A good lawyer learns many lessons in the school of human nature, and thus it was that Lawyer Hackett did not fear to purchase the tract of land which, says the Lewiston Journal, had been "laved over" for years.

Some of the people wondered why he wanted to get hold of property with such an incubus of uncertainty upon it. Others thought that perhaps he wanted some legal knitting-work, and would pitch in red hot to fight that line-fence question on his own hook.

That's what the owner of the adjoining land thought. So he braced himself for trouble when he saw Hackett coming across the fields one day.

Said Hackett: "What's your claim here, anyway, as to this fence?"
"I insist," replied the neighbor, "that your fence is over on my land two feet at one end and one foot at least at the other end."

"Well," replied Hackett, "you go ahead just as quick as you can and set your fence over. At the end where you say that I encroach on you two feet, set the fence on my land four feet. At the other end, push it on my land two feet."

"But," persisted the neighbor, "that's twice what I claim."

"I don't care about that," said Hackett. "There's been fight enough over this land. I want you to take enough so you are perfectly satisfied, and then we can get along pleasantly. Go ahead and help yourself."

The man paused abashed. He had been ready to commence the old struggle, tooth and nail, but this move of the new neighbor stunned him. Yet he wasn't to be outdone in generosity. He looked at Hackett.

"Squire," said he, "that fence ain't going to be moved an inch. I don't want the land. There wasn't nothin' in the fight, anyway, but the principle of the thing."—Unidentified.

FISH HAVE NOVEL WEAPONS

Among Them is the Power to Generate Electricity to a Most Remarkable Degree.

Fishes that discharge electric currents from their eyes; other denizens of the deep who entrap their prey by enveloping it in an electric fluid and eels whose power of generating electricity is so great that the arm of a strong man is numbed from contact with one of them—all these were described by Dr. Ulric Dahlgren before the members of the Franklin Institute at Philadelphia. Doctor Dahlgren talked on "Production of Electricity by Animals." And he pointed out that it was only by fish that electricity was produced by living organisms for any apparent use, with the single exception of a mollusk found in Asia Minor.

The fishes mentioned as capable of shocking other members of the finny tribe by electric flashes from their eyes were along the coast of New Jersey, he said. Some of the electric eels found in South American waters, Doctor Dahlgren explained, were capable of generating a current of more than 600 volts, although they could, as a rule, deliver not more than 250 volts, because of the resistance of their own bodies.

Certain torpedo fishes were described by Doctor Dahlgren as capable of generating electricity in sufficient quantities to numb their enemies and also to facilitate the capture of their prey.

Always Answer to Dreams.

For every possible dream you will always find someone who knows the answer. Superstition seems grounded into our composite natures. But if the subject should take hold of you and if some omen should worry you there is a simple way to shed your distress and turn all bad luck into good luck.

This system is recommended by the best of authorities and has never been known to fail. To turn everything to your advantage and enjoy the fullness of the earth there is just one thing to do. It is quite simple, but it will offset any evil influence that has been working against you.

This bit of knowledge comes down from the ancients. Here it is: Wear a piece of coral around your neck and you can't go wrong.

Performs Double Service.

Intended to perform a double service, a laundry package has been invented that may be used both for the delivery of fresh linen and the subsequent return of soiled articles. It consists of a lidless pasteboard box, in which the laundry is placed, and a substantial paper envelope for the whole. The sack may be hung up in the home and used as a receptacle for soiled linens. In this way it serves another purpose—that of an advertising medium for the company employing it.

Serious Effect of Worry.

The effect of worry upon the internal glands has not been fully studied. Enough is known, however, to assure the physician that it affects the secretions of these glands very seriously through the sympathetic nerves. It thus becomes an important agent in producing exophthalmic goitre and a train of other ills that can only be defined when the real functions of the glands in question are more adequately studied.

High School Notes.

One year has rolled by since student government first entered B. H. S. It came and remained; as a friend and teacher to the students. Thursday it was discussed by the pupils and we decided unanimously to continue it. Butler is becoming known over the country for this student government and the hopes of all are that it will last as long as B. H. S.

The state inspector of high schools was here Friday. He visited all departments and said he was highly pleased with the work being done. This means that our school still remains first class and our grades will be received in all first class high schools, colleges and universities. He said also that our teacher training work ranked in the upper fourth of the high schools of Missouri. This is shown by a record in the state examinations and by our ranking of students in the department. His only criticism of the school was the inefficiency of the library. He said we should build this up just as quickly as possible.

Senior Notes.

Just one more game and then the Senior girls will have the cup. When we win that game the Senior girls will have played three years with nothing but victories on our record. We do not like to boast but we do feel a little proud of our record.

Next week a number of pupils will be added to the Senior class, when the conditionals are promoted to our room. When we get our full number we will be thirty or more, the class of 1916 will be the largest that B. H. S. has ever produced.

Commercial Department Notes

The state high school inspector reports in words of praise of the results we are getting in this department.

The standard in typewriting for Seniors is 40 words net per minute for ten minutes. At the close of the first half of this school year, all of the class have been successful in passing this test; consequently we will have to raise the standard. Some of our commercial students are working after school and Saturdays, doing book-keeping and stenographic work. The businessmen who are in need of stenographers who can not only take dictation, but can spell, punctuate, and get out letters that are attractive in appearance, should ask the department to recommend a stenographer for their approval.

Prices 90 Years Ago.

Following are a few prices of commodities and luxuries prevailing in eastern Ohio nearly a century ago. They are taken from charges in an old counter book of the years 1825-26.

Eggs, 4 cents a dozen.
Butter, 8c a pound.
Sugar, 10c a pound.
Pepper, 50c a pound.
Coffee, 31c a pound.
Tea, \$1.50 a pound.
Beacon, 6 1-2c a pound.
Whiskey, 25c a gallon.
Wheat, 40c a bushel.
Oats, 15c a bushel.
Corn, 25c a bushel.
Muslin, 20c and 37 1-2c a yard.
Calico, 36c and 50c a yard.
Flowered wall paper, 4 1-2c a yard.
Salt, 2 1-2c a pound.—Ex.

BIG DUTCH DIKE BREAKS

All of North Holland in Danger of a Flood.

Amsterdam, Jan. 14 (via London).—The Telegraaf reports that the Zuider Zee dike at Katwoude has burst and that Xuidpolder has been flooded. The inhabitants of that place were obliged to abandon it and have fled to Edam, which is partly flooded, the newspaper adds.

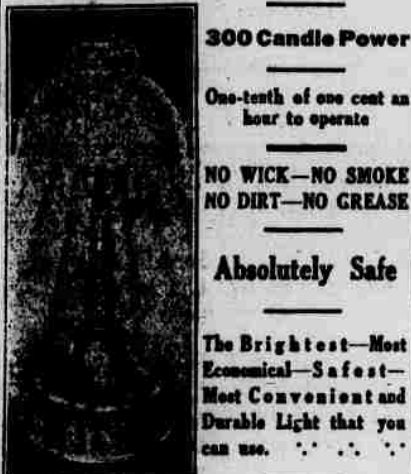
A later message from Edam says that the dike protecting Polderzezevang is in danger and that if it breaks the result will be the flooding of the greater part of North Holland.

At 7 o'clock this morning, adds a message, an alarm bell was rung at Broeck, also in the province of North Holland, about six miles northeast of Amsterdam, as the flood was pouring in with terrific force. Many farms were completely inundated, the inhabitants proceeding in boats to surrounding villages. There was great consternation in the Waterland district as the water came over the dike and the inhabitants are fleeing to Amsterdam.

Volendam is entirely flooded and Monnikendam, on the mainland, and the Island of Marken, are under water.

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